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## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

During the twelve months ending November 30, 1884, 3422 additions have been made to the library, an increase of 419 over the growth of 1883. These additions have consisted of 480 volumes, 2760 pamphlets and parts of periodicals, and 182 maps, sheets, photographs, etc.

They have been derived from the following sources:—

Societies, . . . . .	1356	Engineer Department, U. S. A. . .	3
Editors, . . . . .	866	U. S. Fish Commission, . . .	3
I. V. Williamson Fund, . . .	520	Navy Department, . . . . .	2
Authors, . . . . .	280	Geological Survey of New Zealand, . . . . .	2
Dr. G. E. Abbot, . . . . .	145	War Department, . . . . .	2
Wilson Fund, . . . . .	37	Trustees of British Museum, .	2
Department of the Interior, .	29	Smithsonian Institution, . . .	2
Geological Survey of India, .	19	Ex. of Wm. S. Vaux, . . . . .	1
Geological Survey of Sweden, .	17	Commissioners of Inland Fisheries, . . . . .	1
Russian Geological Commission, .	16	F. G. Schaupp, . . . . .	1
Dr. F. V. Hayden, . . . . .	15	East Indian Government, . . .	1
Northern Transcontinental Survey, . . . . .	14	Geological Survey of Roumania, . . . . .	1
Geological Survey of Belgium, .	12	Census Commission of Buenos Aires, . . . . .	1
Geological Survey of Kentucky, .	10	W. H. Dougherty, . . . . .	1
Minister of Public Works, France, . . . . .	8	Department of Mines, Nova Scotia, . . . . .	1
Department of Agriculture, . .	8	Royal College of Surgeons, . .	1
H. B. M. Government, . . . .	8	Justin Winsor, . . . . .	1
Treasury Department, . . . .	7	Trustees of Indian Museum, . .	1
Prof. Angelo Heilprin, . . . .	6	Brazilian Museum, . . . . .	1
Second Geological Survey of Pennsylvania, . . . . .	6	Dr. A. E. Foote, . . . . .	1
Dr. R. J. Dunglison, . . . . .	5	Chas. E. Smith, . . . . .	1
Geological Survey of Canada, .	4		
J. H. Redfield, . . . . .	4		

The departments of the library, to which these additions were distributed, and the proportions of such distribution, are as follows:—

Journals, . . . . .	2382	Helminthology, . . . . .	20
Geology, . . . . .	250	Education, . . . . .	20
Anthropology, . . . . .	166	Voyages and Travels, . . . .	14
General Natural History, . . .	103	Mammalogy, . . . . .	13
Conchology, . . . . .	82	Agriculture, . . . . .	12
Botany, . . . . .	55	Encyclopedias, . . . . .	12
Anatomy and Physiology, . . .	53	Bibliography, . . . . .	12
Entomology, . . . . .	51	Ichthyology, . . . . .	11
Medicine, . . . . .	45	Mineralogy, . . . . .	10
Chemistry, . . . . .	40	Geography, . . . . .	3
Physical Science, . . . . .	23	History, . . . . .	1
Ornithology, . . . . .	21	Miscellaneous, . . . . .	23

In consequence of the necessary curtailment of appropriations, no binding has been done during the year. It is to be hoped

that a permanent Binding Fund may be soon placed at the disposal of the Library Committee. While the estimate for binding is, properly enough, one of the first to be curtailed when expenses have to be reduced, yet our rapidly increasing sets of journals and the many valuable illustrated books which reach us in parts as issued, are in danger of being injured or rendered incomplete while used in the unbound form.

The card catalogue of periodicals has been completed, and will be transcribed in the form of a hand catalogue for the greater convenience of those consulting this, perhaps the most important, department of the library. Occasion was taken as the catalogue progressed to make careful memoranda of deficiencies. 243 letters have been written applying for lacking parts and volumes of incomplete sets of journals now in our possession, and 59 proposing exchange with societies, the publications of which are not represented on our shelves at all. The responses to these letters have been of such a satisfactory character as to account, perhaps entirely, for the excess of additions over the number reported at the last annual meeting.

In recording the completion of the important work noted, it gives me pleasure to acknowledge the efficient service of Mr. Emanuele Fronani, of whose assistance I have again been enabled to avail myself during the summer months.

The catalogue of the library, may be now said, for the first time in many years, to be complete. Care is, of course, taken to add the titles of accessions immediately on their presentation.

The portrait of the late Dr. Robert Bridges, which was approaching completion when my last report was presented, has been placed in its proper position in the gallery of Presidents, and is considered an unusually satisfactory likeness. The Academy is indebted for it to Messrs. Geo. W. Tryon, Jr., W. S. W. Ruschenberger, Thos. Meehan, Jos. P. Hazard, J. H. Redfield, Jacob Binder, C. S. Bement, Harrison Allen, John Ashhurst, Jr., Edw. S. Whelen, Chas. Schaeffer, Aubrey H. Smith, John S. Haines, Samuel Lewis, Geo. H. Horn, John Welsh, Chas. E. Smith, Jos. Wharton, Isaac Lea, and George Vaux.

In view of the amount of work accomplished and the results thereof, the past year, in this department of the Academy, may be regarded as an unusually prosperous one.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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